

SOUTHERN MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
2022-2027 State/Federal General Permit
Permit # MER042004

YEAR 4 (2025 – 2026) ANNUAL COMPLIANCE REPORT



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INTRODUCTION

This is the annual compliance report for Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) as required under the *General Permit for the Discharge of Stormwater from Small State and Federally Owned Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems* (MS4) issued by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

The information herein reflects stormwater activities and compliance for the period from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. This time period will be referred to as Permit Year 4 (PY4).

The Stormwater Management Plan and the General Permit require SMCC address six Minimum Control Measures or MCMs. For each MCM, SMCC has defined specific Best Management Practices (BMP's) which will be implemented in accordance with the schedule of compliance established in the college's Modified Stormwater Management Plan dated September 23, 2022.

MCM 1 - EDUCATION/OUTREACH PROGRAM

Southern Maine Community College is a member of the Casco Bay Interlocal Stormwater Working Group (ISWG) – pronounced “izzy-wig”. ISWG is a coalition of 14 MS4 municipalities and two nested colleges in the greater Portland and Saco. This coalition is facilitated by the Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District (CCSWCD).

Southern Maine Community will fulfill the requirements for the Public Education/Outreach Program (MCM1) through participation in ISWG.

BMP 1A: Outreach to Raise Awareness Campaign

Message: “Water that lands on our roads, roofs, and other hard surfaces picks up pollutants and carries them to our local waterbodies without being treated.”

Tool 1: Think Blue Maine Website Content updated in October 2025 by adding Winter Salt Week information to the "Home" and "Road Salt" webpages. Website traffic: 1k; updated April 2026 by adding top pollution prevention steps to "Residents" webpage. Website traffic: 185.

In PY4, additional SEO measures continued to be incorporated into the Think Blue Maine website to align with AI scraping for search engines.

Tool 2: 12 posts on Think Blue Maine Instagram account on 10/14/25, 10/20/25, 10/30/25, 11/4/25, 11/20/25, 12/4/25, 12/11/25, 1/18/26, 3/5/26, 4/16/26, 5/13/26, 5/28/26.

Post engagement: 16 Post Views: 10,243

Tool 3: 90 total days of social media ads:

8/1/25-10/30/25 Ad engagement: 11,298 People reached: 376;

12/8/25-1/12/26 and 3/20/26-4/24/26 Ad engagement: 4,525 People reached: 5,475;

3/26/26-5/30/26 Ad engagement: 309 People reached: 9,491

BMP 1B: Outreach to Change Behavior Campaign

Behavior Change - Ages 25-34

Message: "Dispose of dog waste as a solid waste, so it does not end up in our stormwater. Once in the stormwater, dog waste contributes nutrients, bacteria, and pathogens to our ponds, lakes, streams, rivers, and bays, which can lower property values, harm our drinking water, and hinder recreational and economic opportunities."

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Tool 2: 90 total days of social media ads: 12/8/25-3/8/26 Ad engagement: 181 Views: 6,599

Tool 3: 3 Outreach Events 8/24/25, 9/13/25, 4/11/26 with 243 interactions in age group.

Pet waste bag refill rolls distributed (branded item for both BMP 1.2 audiences): 1,015

Pet waste rack cards distributed (branded item for both BMP 1.2 audiences): 1,015

Field survey second survey deposits (for both BMP 1.2 audiences): 5

Catch basins with dog waste (for both BMP 1.2 audiences): ZERO

Behavior Change - Ages 35-55

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Tool 1: 12 posts shared on Think Blue Maine Facebook account 10/16/25, 11/11/25, 11/26/25, 12/2/25, 12/14/25, 12/29/25, 1/1/26, 1/20/26, 1/29/26, 2/13/26, 3/2/26, 4/5/26
Post Engagement: 34 Post Views: 28,597

Tool 2: 3 Outreach Events 8/24/25, 9/13/25, 4/11/26 with 221 interactions in age group.

Tool 3: Think Blue Maine Website Content updated in December 2025 by adding PY4 survey data and a new site dashboard to embedded storymap on ["Dog Waste" webpage](#). Webpage traffic: 160; updated March 2026 by adding animal shelter partner information to "Dog Waste" webpage.
Website traffic: 4.8k.

BMP 1C: Effectiveness Evaluation

The Effectiveness Evaluation is not applicable this permit year. This information will be presented in PY5.

Non-Permit Required Activities Which Took Place During PY4

- On August 5th and August 6th two Student Security Officers stenciled 30 storm drains on campus with the message “Don’t Dump Flows To Bay Protect Your Water”.



*Photo on left: Storm drain stenciling on SMCC Campus.
Photo on right: Pet waste signage in partnership with ISWG.*

- On August 12, 2025 SMCC Facilities team members posted new pet waste signs at our three pet waste stations and two additional high visibility locations. The PAWS signs were created in partnership with ISWG to provide consistent pet waste and stormwater pollution messaging across the region.
- On August 13th 2025, The EHS Coordinator, SMCC linked the Think Blue Maine.org website and the Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District YardScaping website to the college’s new internal SharePoint page as resources for our employees.
- On September 2, 2025 ISWG and SMCC cobranded a Think Blue Maine recycling flier created for staff and student audiences. The flier was handed out at the college’s Block Party and was posted on the Environmental Health & Safety SharePoint site for 24/7 availability. A copy is included as Attachment 1

MCM 2 - PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND PARTICIPATION

Southern Maine Community will fulfill the requirements for the Public Education/Outreach Program (MCM2) through participation in ISWG.

BMP 2A: Public Notice Requirement

In PY4, SMCC had no stormwater activities which required Public Notice.

A copy of SMCC's Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) which contains our Notice of Intent (NOI) is posted on the "[Consumer Information](#)" section of the [SMCCME.edu website](#) under the section titled "Health & Safety."

Details on the college's participation in ISWG and information on ISWG meetings is posted on the Environmental Health & Safety SharePoint page which is accessible internally to staff and students.

ISWG met on: 7/17/25, 9/18/25, 11/20/25, 1/15/26, 3/19/26, and 5/21/26.

The SMCC EH&S Coordinator attended all six ISWG Meetings.

ISWG meetings are public noticed through the CCSWCD website.

BMP 2B: Public Event

On September 2, 2025 ISWG and CCSWCD representatives were invited to participate at the SMCC Student Block Party to talk about pet waste, storm water pollution and discuss stormwater runoff using the interactive watershed model. 63 staff and students visited the tent to speak with the team over a two hour period.

The event was advertised through the college's social media accounts and posted fliers. It was also posted on the Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District's social media account and website on 8/12/25 and 9/3/2025.



Photo above: Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District participation at SMCC Student Block Party to discuss Storm Water Pollution, pet waste and watersheds.

Non-Permit Required Activities Which Took Place During PY4



April Stools Day

On April 11, 2026, SMCC partnered with the City of South Portland and Maine Healthy Beaches at Willard Beach to talk with beachgoers and dog walkers while providing educational resources on proper pet waste disposal and water quality. Participants also participated in a beach clean-up while seeking the “golden turd” to win prizes.

MCM 3 - ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION AND ELIMINATION (IDDE) PROGRAM

Southern Maine Community College continues to implement its Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program, which includes:

- A Watershed-based map of the stormwater infrastructure,
- Maintain a Non-Stormwater Discharge Procedure
- A written IDDE Plan which describes:
 - Inspections of the infrastructure during dry weather
 - Investigations of potential illicit discharges,
 - A Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)
- A list of outfalls that have the potential to cause illicit discharges during wet weather.

Below is a summary of how SMCC meet MCM3 during PY4.

BMP 3A: Maintain the College’s Non-Stormwater Discharge Procedure

On July 30, 2025 the EHS Coordinator, Facilities Daily Operations Supervisor and the Interim Associate Dean of Administration reviewed the SMCC Non-Stormwater Discharge Procedure for accuracy and found no updates and revisions were required.

BMP 3B: Creation of a Written IDDE Plan

A written IDDE Plan, which includes a QAPP was written in 2022 and submitted with the Modified Stormwater Management Plan on September 23, 2022. One minor revision occurred in October 2024.

For PY4, the IDDE Plan and QAPP were reviewed on November 10, 2025. Revisions were not necessary.

BMP 3C: Stormwater Infrastructure Map

On August 5, 2025, SMCC reviewed its online stormwater infrastructure map and determined revisions were not necessary. There have been no changes to the college's stormwater infrastructure.

BMP 3D: Dry Weather Inspections

During PY4, SMCC inspected each of its six outfalls. A summary of inspection findings is located in the table below. For formatting purposes, several fields were omitted.

Inspection Date	Outfall ID	Temp	Wind Present	3 Day Precipitation	Pipe Flow	Seepage Flow	Sediment	Structure Condition	Color	Debris	Odor	Water Clarity	Solids	Notes
7/2/2025	WB_12	71	No	0	None	None	Open	Good						Good order - leaves
7/2/2025	WB_11	71	No	0	None	None	Open	Poor						Weeds block mouth view but does not impact function
7/2/2025	BW_12	71	No	0	None	None	Open	Good						Photo taken, stagnant water in pipe is left from high tide. It is not flowing
7/2/2025	BW_10	71	No	0	None	None	1/4 Full	Good						Large rocks in pipe from tide, can not reach to remove. Stagnant water observed in pipe left from high tide
7/2/2025	BW_11	71	No	0	None	None	1/4 Full	Good						Pipe contains rocks and stagnant water from high tide. Photo taken
8/13/2025	WB_15	70	No	0	Trickle	None	Open	Good	Clear	None	None	Clear	No	Typical tidal flow from pipe. Low tide was at 8:29am

BMP 3E: Wet Weather Assessment

This goal must be achieved by September 30, 2027.

BMP 3F: Review of Allowable Non-Stormwater Discharges

On July 30, 2025 the EHS Coordinator, Facilities Daily Operations Supervisor and Interim Associate Dean of Administration reviewed campus activities and confirmed there have been no new significant contributors identified during PY4.

Non-Permit Required Activities Which Took Place During PY4

On June 17, 2026 The SMCC EH&S Coordinator met with Fred Dillion of South Portland and a concerned citizen who witnessed dark, stinky water pouring from Outfall WB_11 on June 16, 2026. The EH&S Coordinator explained that Aqualis had been dewatering their vac truck after storm drain cleaning and chose a poor location for this task. Aqualis was notified that discharging decanted vac truck water into the college's MS4 system is inappropriate. With approval from the South Portland Water Resource Protection department, the EH&S Coordinator identified two sewer manholes, on SMCC Campus, that Aqualis may use for this purpose in PY5 and beyond. The only alternative is for Aqualis to dewater directly at the South Portland WWTP. Enclosed as Attachment 2 is a copy of South Portland's Outfall Discharge Notes and SMCC's correspondence with Aqualis.

MCM 4 - CONSTRUCTION SITE STORMWATER RUNOFF CONTROL

SMCC must implement and enforce a program to minimize or eliminate pollutants in any stormwater runoff to the regulated small MS4 from construction activities that result in a land disturbance of greater than or equal to one acre. Reduction of stormwater discharges from construction activity disturbing less than one acre must be included in the program if that construction activity is part of a larger common plan of development or sale that would disturb one acre or more.

SMCC does not anticipate new development or redevelopment projects of this scale will occur during this permit cycle.

Below is a summary of how SMCC met MCM4 during PY4.

BMP 4A: Erosion and Sediment Control Procedure

The SMCC College Construction Site Stormwater Control Statement was written on 8.14.2023 to align internal erosion sediment control procedures with the City of South Portland's Regulation No 2. A copy of this statement was provided in the PY2 report [which is available online](#).

BMP 4B: Erosion and Sediment Control Procedure

On 8.14.2023 the EHS Coordinator notified the Interim Dean of Administration, the Interim Facilities Manager and Interim President of the new South Portland Regulation No 2 for erosion sediment control and Inspection requirements on disturbed areas over 2,000 sq. ft. A copy of this correspondence is included in the PY2 report which [is available online](#).

BMP 4C: Procedures to Notify Construction Site Developers and Operators

There were no new development or redevelopment projects on campus during PY4 which resulted in a land disturbance of greater than or equal to one acre.

During PY1, SMCC created the "SMCC Contractor's Corner" with links to relevant stormwater related procedures and policies. This portal is used to educate contractor who are bidding on jobs or working on campus. On May 5, 2025 the information within the [SMCC Contractor's Corner](#) was moved to the new SMCC SharePoint site and remains accessible to individuals outside the organization.

BMP 4D: Construction Site Stormwater Recordkeeping

There were no new development or redevelopment projects on campus during PY4 which resulted in a land disturbance of greater than or equal to one acre.

Effective 8.14.2023, SMCC will follow South Portland Regulation No 2 with regard to erosion control practices and inspections. This is documented in the college's Construction Site Stormwater Control Statement referenced above.

Non-Permit Required Activities Which Took Place During PY4

In September 2025, SMCC broke ground on a new 1,860 square foot greenhouse. The project will not result in the disturbance of one acre or more of land. However, the project is subject to the City of South Portland's Regulation No 2 dictating erosion sediment controls and inspections. Construction will be completed in PY5. [SMCC's Site Application Plan can be viewed online.](#)

The college's stormwater map noted that there was an outlet control in the vicinity of the greenhouse project but, during groundbreaking, two grit chambers were discovered. SMCC will receive final "as built" plans for the greenhouse in PY5 and our stormwater infrastructure map will be properly updated.



Photo above shows OT_6120 and two previously unknown grit chambers. These structures will be added to the college's stormwater map once final "as built" plans are received.

MCM 5 - POST-CONSTRUCTION STORMWATER MANAGEMENT IN NEW DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT

SMCC must implement and enforce a program to address post construction stormwater runoff from new development and redevelopment projects that disturb greater than or equal to one acre, including projects less than one acre that are part of a larger common plan of development that discharge into the MS4.

SMCC does not anticipate new development or redevelopment projects of this scale will occur during this permit cycle.

Below is a summary of how SMCC meet MCM5 during PY4.

BMP 5A: Required LID Techniques

The Southern Maine Community College Low Impact Development Statement is located in the college's [PY1 Annual Report](#). Changes to this document were not required during PY4.

BMP 5B: Post Construction BMP Inspections

The post-construction BMP's on SMCC property were installed before July 1, 2008 and/or are under 1 acre in size. This permit requirement is not currently applicable.

Unit Name	Installation Date	DEP Permit #
Pickett Street Parking Lot StormTECH Isolator Row Treatment System	8/2014	< 1 acre
Spring Point Stormtreat System	12/2007	L-7520-22-I-A
Hildreth Stormwater Retention/Infiltration Basin	12/2007	L-7520-22-I-A
Spring Point Rain Garden	12/2007	L-7520-22-I-A
Parking Lot D Infiltration Area	12/2007	L-7520-22-I-A
Parking Lot B Infiltration Area	9/2005	L-007520-22-H-B

SMCC will ensure that future/new post-construction stormwater BMP's installed after the date of this SWMP and which fall under the scope of MCM4 and MCM5, are inspected, managed, and documented following the requirements of this permit.

Non-Permit Required Activities Which Took Place During PY4

SMCC inspects the stormwater BMPs installed prior to July 1, 2008. Observations are listed below:

Date	Device/Area Inspected	Inspected By	Observations, Deficiencies and Recommended Corrective Actions	Action Taken
5.18.2026	Infiltration Basin- Hildreth Hall	Otenti	WO# 5673 seed bare patches, mot inside basin, remove all woody plants	completed 6.1.2026
5.18.2026	Rain Garden- Spring Point Residence Hall	Otenti	WO# 5675 remove woody plants.	completed 6.16.2026
5.18.2026	Infiltration Swale- Lot D	Otenti	WO# 5676 Remove trash, clear off grate for CB_3309 and seed bare spot	completed 6.16.2026
5.18.2026	Infiltration Swales- Lot B	Otenti	WO# 5674 Clean grates for CB_0827 and CB_6883, remove trash from swales.	completed 6.16.2026
6.18.2026	StormTreat System	Otenti, Kelley, Tibideau	No action needed. Aqualis cleaned the system on 6.17.2026	NA
6.11.2026	Pickett St. StormTECH Treatment System	Chris Baldwin CCSWCD	No corrective actions necessary. Report will be submitted to City of SoPo prior to deadline	NA

MCM 6 - POLLUTION PREVENTION/GOOD HOUSEKEEPING FOR FACILITY OPERATIONS

The objective of this program is to mitigate or eliminate pollutant runoff from state and federal facility roads, other paved surfaces, infrastructure and facility operations on property that is owned or managed by the permittee.

In 2014, the DEP determined that SMCC did not require a stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP). Our operations have not changed. SMCC will continue to operate via a written Stormwater O&M Plan.

Below is a summary of how SMCC meet MCM6 during PY4.

BMP 6A: Stormwater O&M Plan

SMCC operates via a written Stormwater O&M plan which was revised in September 2022 and 2024. The Stormwater O&M Plan review for PY4 occurred on July 30, 2025. No changes were necessary.

BMP 6B: Stormwater O&M Plan Training

During PY4, SMCC Facilities Stormwater O&M training was conducted in person. On December 19, 2025 twenty-four (24) Facilities staff attended in-person Stormwater O&M Plan Training. A copy of the training presentation is attached as Attachment 3.

BMP 6C: Annual Street Sweeping

For PY4, a property maintenance company was contracted to sweep SMCC owned paved streets and parking lots. The contracted vendor used a vacuum truck with water for dust control to sweep roads and parking areas. The work was performed on May 20th, May 21st, May 28th and May 31st. Roughly 3,180 pounds of debris was collected and disposed off site.

BMP 6D: Catch Basin Management

In PY4, 34 drains were inspected and cleaned on June 16, 2026. Pet waste bags were not observed in the catch basins. All basins were found to be in good condition and no maintenance is necessary. Data from this task is shown in the abbreviated table below.

PY4 2025 - 2026 Inspection and Cleaning -- Performed by Aqualis on June 16, 2026							
ID #	Location Information	Sediment Depth	Is Sediment ≥50% of Sump?	List Debris or Pollution Present	Catch Basin Condition	Maintenance Need?	Explain Maintenance and/or Other Comments
CB-7200	Seawall Center	0 - 6 inches	No	None			Vendor reports cleaning but vendor inspection form only
CB-7201	Seawall Center Ocean	0 - 6 inches	No	Other	Good	No	Rocks in basin bottom. Sediment Removed

CB-5001	Lighthouse Building MCCA	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Fair	No	Sediment Removed
CB-7199	Lighthouse Building Seawall	24+ inches	Yes	Excessive Sediment	Good	No	Tidal, Rocks in basin bottom. Sediment Removed
CB-7202	Seawall MMFish	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-4997	Adams Street-Hague	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-4998	Adams Street-Horticulture	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-4999	Adams Street-Casco Baykeeper	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-6886	Jewett- South Side	6- 12 inches	No	None	Fair	No	Sediment Removed
OT-4782	Spring Point-Outlet control	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-2544	Parking Lot A-behind bar	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5067	Parking Lot A-east/middle	18 - 24 inches	Yes	Excessive Sediment	Good	No	Excessive Sediment, Sediment Removed
CB-5068	Parking Lot A-Far south	24+ inches	Yes	Excessive Sediment	Good	No	3+ feet of sediment removed
CB-7136	Pickett Parking lot (bar)	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-7137	Pickett Parking lot (broadway)	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
DM-0271	Parking Lot A-drain in lot	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
DM-6469	Pickett Street Lot A leading to SoPo Connector	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
DM-6470	Pickett Parking lot (street facing front right)	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
DM-6471	Pickett Parking lot (street	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed

	facing front center)						
DM-6472	Pickett Parking lot (street facing front left)	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-9999	Sodexo Dinning Hall	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removal
CB-0828	Parking Lot B-McKernan	18 - 24 inches	Yes	Excessive Sediment	Good	No	Sediment Removal
CB-1340	Parking Lot B-McKernan	12 - 18 inches	No	Excessive Sediment	Good	No	Sediment Removal
CB-6887	McKernan Entry	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	2-3 inches of sediment. Area blocked by fence over top of grate
DM-6376	Automotive rear grass fort	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Brick invert no sediment
DM-6377	Automotive in grass (roof drain)	0 - 6 inches	Yes	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5007	Shoreway Ln-Corner Lot CC	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5008	Shoreway Ln-Hildreth	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5009	Shoreway Ln-	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5010	Shoreway Ln-infiltration basin	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5011	Shoreway Ln- In grass at light pole	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5105	Campus Center Dr- at Fort Building	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5107	Campus Center Dr- at sign post by café	0 - 6 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removed
CB-5102	Cates Sump	6- 12 inches	No	None	Good	No	Sediment Removal

Excess accumulation of sediment is greater than or equal to 50% of the sump filled. Example: A 24 inch sump IS considered to have excess accumulation of sediment when the 12 – 18 inch category is checked. The same sump would not have excess sediment accumulation when the 6-12 inch field is selected.

Drains determined to have excess sediment are shown in the table below and are cleaned following the stipulations of BMP 6D Measurable Goal 2 within the college's SWMP.

ID #	Location Information	Sump Depth (inches)	50%	25%	PY1		PY2		PY3		PY4		
					PY1	Is Sediment ≥50% of Sump?	PY2	Is Sediment ≥50% of Sump?	PY3	Is Sediment ≥50% of Sump?	PY4	Is Sediment ≥50% of Sump?	Is Sediment <25% % of Sump?
CB-5001	Lighthouse Building MCCS	24	12	6	0 - 6 inches	No	12 - 18 inches	Yes	0 - 6 inches	No	0 - 6 inches	No	Yes
CB-5107	Campus Center Dr- at sign post by café	18	9	5	12 - 18 inches	Yes	6- 12 inches	No	0 - 6 inches	No	0 - 6 inches	No	Yes
CB-7199	Lighthouse Building Seawall	24	12	6	24+ inches	Yes	12 - 18 inches	Yes	0 - 6 inches	No	24+ inches	Yes	No
CB-7200	Seawall Center	24	12	6	6- 12 inches	No	12 - 18 inches	Yes	0 - 6 inches	No	0 - 6 inches	No	Yes
CB-9999	Sodexo Dinning Hall	18	9	5	6- 12 inches	Yes	6- 12 inches	Yes	0 - 6 inches	No	0 - 6 inches	No	Yes
DM-6377	Automotive in grass (roof drain)	6	3	2					0 - 6 inches	Yes	0 - 6 inches	Yes	
CB-5067	Parking Lot A- east/middle	24	12	6							18 - 24 inches	Yes	
CB-5068	Parking Lot A- Far south	28	14	7							24+ inches	Yes	
CB-0828	Parking Lot B-McKernan	24	12	6							18 - 24 inches	Yes	

SWMP BMP 6D states that a catch basin will return to the every-other-year inspection/cleaning cycle when the basin remains below 25% for two consecutive years.

In the table above, basins CB_5107 and CB_9999 listed in blue for PY4 will return to the every-other-year maintenance cycle in PY5. CB_5001 and CB_7200 are located at the seawall and are cleaned yearly due to persistent presence of driftwood, rocks, buoys, and other floatable objects which are driven into the basin by tidal influence.

Because SMCC's Catch Basin Inspection Form is designed to capture sediment buildup depth from 0-6 inches, 6-12 inches etc., we are unable to assess if all basins listed as Excess Sediment will ever meet the 25% sediment mark for which they can be removed from the annual cleaning program. Smaller quantifying categories (e.g. 0 – 3 inches or 3 – 6 inches) will need to be added to the form during the next permit cycle. For example, DM_6377 is only 6 inches deep and singularly attached to a roof drain which should never accumulate excess sediment.

BMP 6E: Stormwater Structure Repairs

SMCC will evaluate and implement a schedule for repairing or upgrading the conveyances, structures and outfalls under SMCC's jurisdiction in accordance with the necessity of needed repairs or maintenance. Repairs did not occur during PY4.

Non-Permit Required Activities Which Took Place During PY4

The following additional stormwater related items were addressed on campus:

- On January 21, 2026 SMCC established a Camping Policy which formally prohibits camping on college grounds, in or under structures or in college buildings. This policy will aid in stormwater pollution prevention and was posted to [SMCC's public website](#) and the internal EH&S SharePoint page. A copy is attached here as Attachment 4.
- On March 13, 2026, SMCC established a Motor Vehicle Repair Policy which officially prohibits any individual from performing personal car repairs on college grounds. This includes the act of diagnosing, servicing, and fixing of vehicles. Bodywork such as washing waxing, detailing and dent removal are also prohibited. This policy will aid in the reduction of stormwater pollution and was

posted to [SMCC's public website](#) and the internal EH&S SharePoint page. The text of this policy can be read in Attachment 5.

- On May 21, 2026 an SMCC student was found changing his vehicle's transmission oil in the middle of Parking Lot A. The fluid had spilled onto the pavement, but storm drains were not impacted. The student was required to cease repairs immediately and clean the spill. SMCC reported the spill to the Maine DEP and the student was given a copy of the SMCC Motor Vehicle Repair Policy.

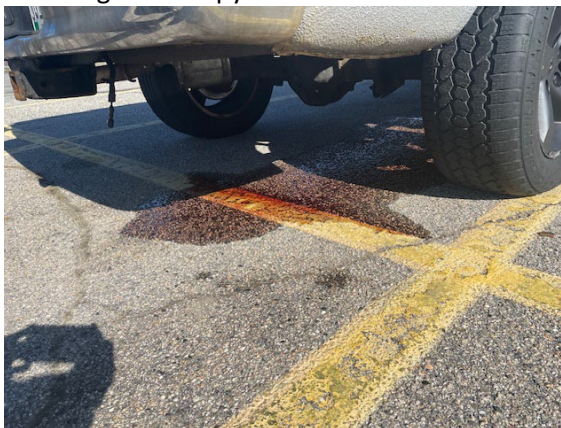


Photo above shows a spill which resulted from an SMCC Student's attempt to change their transmission fluid. Scenarios such as this are the reason the college established it's NO Vehicle Repair policy.

- Between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026, one hundred twenty-eight (128) new hire employees (including student workers) completed the online awareness course "SMCC Campus Stormwater Pollution Prevention for Staff".

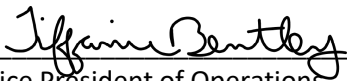
Duly Authorized Representatives

The following positions are deemed duly authorized representatives with the authority to sign and certify documents under the current permit:

- EH&S Coordinator
- Vice President of Operations
- Interim Associate Dean of Administration

Permit Year 4 MS4 Annual Report Certification Statement

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.


Vice President of Operations

9/1/2026
Date



By properly disposing of your hazardous waste...



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Computer-Be-Gone

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Decanting of vac trucks at Southern Maine Community College

From Jennifer A Otenti <jotenti@maineccc.edu>

Date Thu 7/9/2026 9:30 AM

To mmcmanus@aqualisco.com <mmcmanus@aqualisco.com>; jpvirre <jpvirre@aqualisco.com>

Cc Mitchell Boden <mboden@maineccc.edu>

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Aqualis Decant Locations at SMCC.pdf;

Good Morning Michael and Jim,

Following up on my 6.18.2026 email.

Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) operates under a State issued Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits which prohibits the college and its contractors from discharging water containing suspended solids into the storm drain system.

On June 16th, after completing necessary catch basin cleaning tasks at SMCC, an Aqualis vac truck decanted into a storm drain. On the same day, a citizen complaint was filed with the City of South Portland whereby a resident observed brown, smelly water discharging from the college's stormwater outfall directly onto Willard Beach.  WB_12
WB_11 

Moving forward, to ensure compliance with the college's MS4 Permit and prevent future stormwater pollution, SMCC requests Aqualis decants into one of two sewer manholes on campus:

- 13_78D located in the middle of our Parking Lot A
OR
- 13_164 located in the grass, off to the side of Parking Lot B

The enclosed maps will show the location of these two sewer manholes. If these locations are not acceptable OR are not available when Aqualis is next on site, we must work together to select an alternate sewer manhole.

The South Portland Water Resources Protection department grants Aqualis permission to decant filtered vac truck water into one of the sewer manholes referenced above ONLY when Aqualis performs catch basin cleaning work for SMCC.

If Aqualis would prefer, a decanting hookup is available at the wastewater treatment plant less than 2 miles from SMCC's campus at: 111 Waterman Drive

South Portland, ME 04106 and phone number (207) 767-7675. Aqualis may contact the facility directly to make arrangements.

We appreciate your understanding of this situation and look forward to continuing to work with Aqualis.

Do not hesitate to call if there are any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jen

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SOUTH PORTLAND CAMPUS MAP

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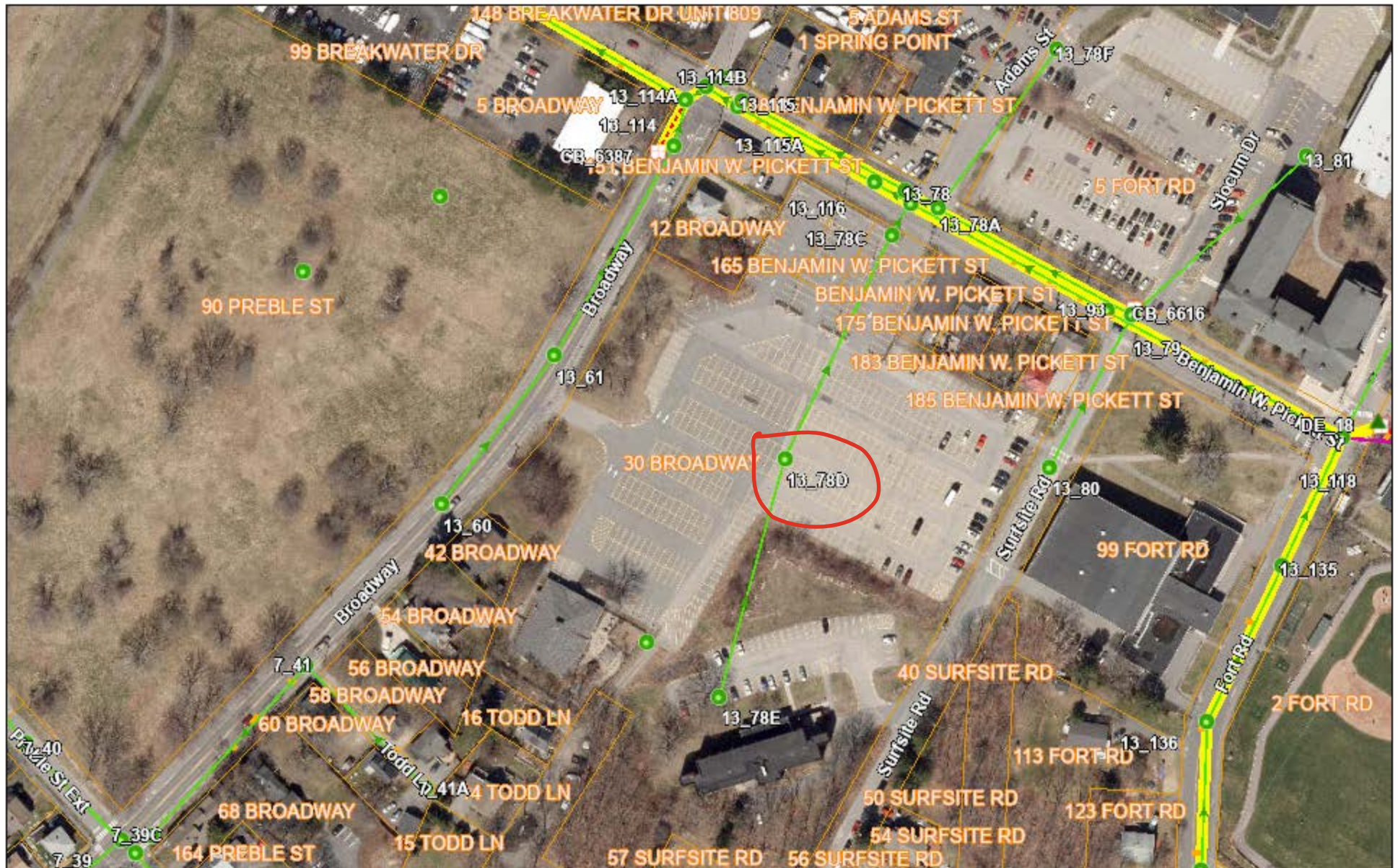


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Foundation for Maine's Community Colleges
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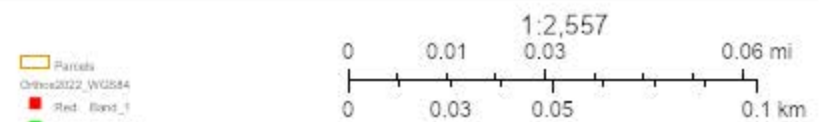
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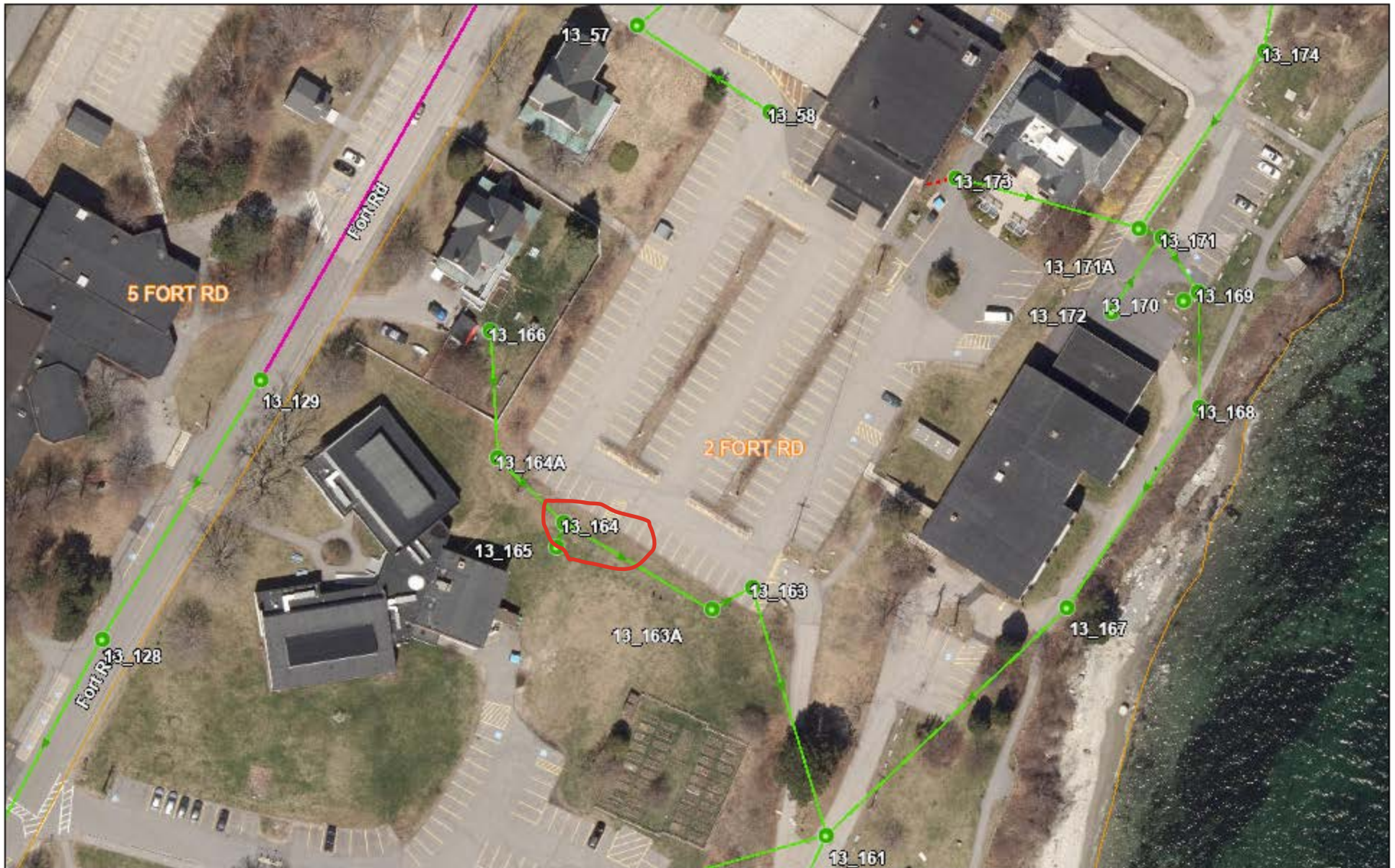
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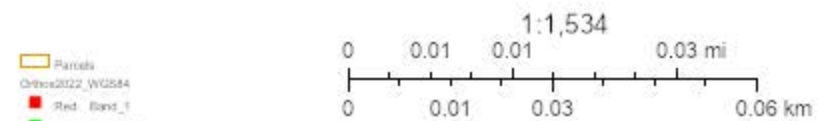
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Aqualis Dewater Sewer Manhole Option 2



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SMCC Stormwater Outfall Discharge Notes (F. Dillon)

6/16/26 Initial Report

Karl Coughlin relayed an email from Tim Sunday at approximately 5:45PM regarding "dark stinky water" exiting a pipe on the SMCC campus, situated near the McKernan Inn. Karl forwarded Tim's email to Fred Dillon & Aubrey Strause at approx. 7:30PM.

Shortly thereafter, Lacey Kremer inspected Willard Beach in the area of concern. She documented the area with photographs and found no evidence of the discharge described by Mr. Sunday, nor did she see typical indicators of sewage, such as fecal matter or toilet paper.

6/17/26 Investigation and Findings

At 8:30 AM, Fred Dillon consulted with Aubrey Strause, who noted that while the EPA was looking into an overboard discharge at Spring Point, it seemed unrelated to this event. Aubrey recommended informing DEP representatives Addie Halligan or Fred Gallant.

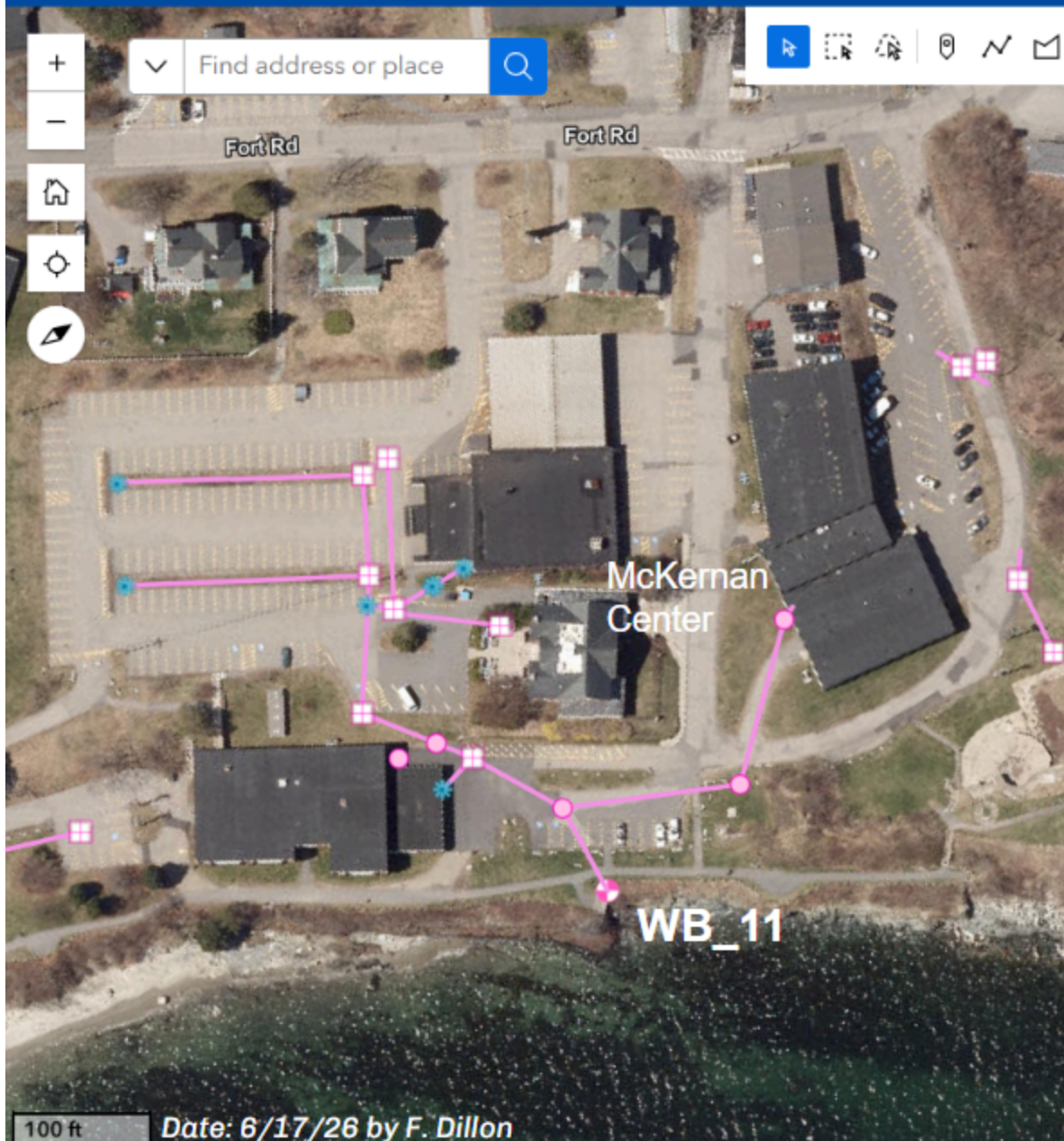
Fred Dillon then spoke with SMCC EH&S Coordinator Jen Otenti at 10:00 AM. Jen explained that the contractor Aqualis had been cleaning and televising storm drain pipes on campus. She suggested Tim Sunday's observations likely stemmed from Aqualis' cleaning activities.

After notifying Fred Gallant of the DEP via voicemail at noon, Fred Dillon met with Jen Otenti and Tim Sunday at 2:30 PM at the McKernan Center to confirm the discharge location, which was inaccessible due to tidal conditions. Jen reiterated that the discharge likely resulted from the storm drain maintenance performed by Aqualis. She committed to instructing the contractors to cease returning process water to the system, as Maine's MS4 permit prohibits discharging water that mobilizes debris and sediment into the environment.

Fred returned to the site at ~7:30AM on 6/18 during low tide and confirmed no further discharge is occurring (see photos below).



Outfall Discharge from WB-11 (6/16/26)





Stormwater and Operations & Maintenance



What is stormwater?

- Rain and snow melt that travels over the ground and enters storm drains without first being treated
- Carries pollution such as oil, grease, chemicals, sediment, trash and anything else that is not water
- Stormwater pollution impacts the greater environment e.g. Sebago Lake, Saco River, and the Casco Bay



Stormwater Outfall On Willard Beach behind CSEC

Stormwater is:

- Regulated by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection
- Southern Maine Community College must adhere to a strict Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit or risk penalties
- The MS4 Permit applies to employees SMCC contractors



Stormwater Outfall On Willard Beach @ Ballfield

Stormwater Pollution is:

- Road salt
- Mop or wash water
- General trash
- Leaking dumpsters
- Paint or chemicals including gasoline and oil
- Organic materials such as grass clippings, mulch, loose soil, food waste, or dirt and leaves
- Pet waste



MS4 Permit

- Consists of 6 different sets of obligations known as Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) that the college must meet
 - MCM1 & MCM2 involve raising awareness for stormwater pollution through public engagement
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MCM1 & MCM2

- Joint effort with the Interlocal Stormwater Working Group (ISWG) to educate the public on stormwater and stormwater pollution prevention
- Focus is on Pet Waste awareness and the general public



MCM 3

- Requires Facilities Staff involvement
- We must follow our Non-Stormwater Discharge Policy
- Speak up if something is not right
- Our contractors have to abide the Non-Stormwater Discharge Policy too



SMCC Non-stormwater Discharge Procedure

**Only rain
down the
drain**



PROCEDURE ON NON-STORMWATER DISCHARGES TO STORM SEWERAGE

It is Southern Maine Community College's procedure that discharges to storm drains and other conveyances of the college stormwater collection system are not permitted or to be minimized depending upon the nature of the potential discharge.

Non permitted potential discharges include but are not limited to the following:

- Leakage from motor vehicles, other than *de minimus* drippage;
- Leakage from petroleum storage tanks;
- Dumping of any kind of grease, chemicals, cleaning products, solvents, and similar items;
- Dumping of solid and hazardous wastes;
- Filter rinses;
- Wash water of any kind.

Discharges to be minimized include runoff containing road sand and salt used to treat campus-owned roadways and parking lots during the winter.

This procedure applies as well to discharges to campus ditches, drains, and marine waters.

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MCM 4

- Facilities staff involved in overseeing construction projects
 - Construction projects over 2,200 square feet must adhere to South Portland erosion control rules and install stormwater control structures
 - SMCC Low Impact Development Policy: requires the installation of specific stormwater control structures on any project(s) over 1 acre in size
 - Notify Contractors of MCM 4 obligations via Contractor's Corner



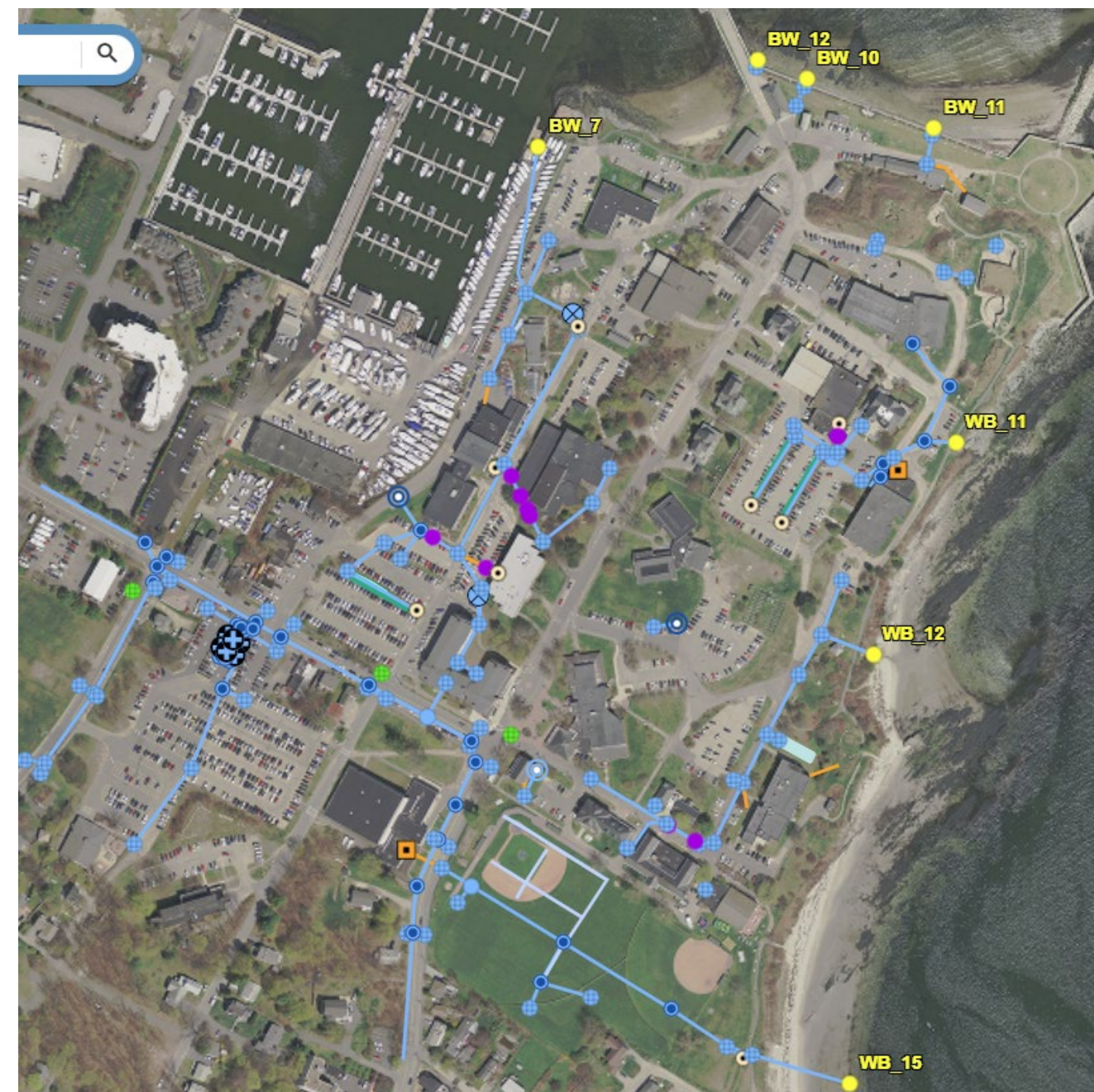
MCM5

- Facilities staff must maintain existing and FUTURE stormwater control structures: weed, mow, remove woody plants, minimal mulch application, seed eroded areas and ensure no dirt or debris piles up to impede water
- Springpoint Rain Garden
- Springpoint “Turtle”
- Hildreth Rain Garden
- Grass strips in Lots C & D
- Grass strips in Lot B
- Parking Lot A
- Greenhouse drip line *FUTURE*



MCM 6

- Annual stormwater infrastructure tasks:
 - Street and parking lot sweeping
 - Catch basin cleaning
 - Repairs or maintenance if required
- Annual training for Facilities staff
- Adherence to the college's Stormwater Operations & Maintenance Plan



Stormwater Operations & Maintenance Plan

- SMCC has a Stormwater Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Plan in lieu of a larger, more burdensome plan that MS4 Municipalities operate under
 - SMCC does not have: vehicle or equipment maintenance areas, fueling areas or vehicle or equipment cleaning facilities
- We don't want the a burdensome plan
- Please take our Stormwater O&M Plan seriously



Good Housekeeping

- Dispose of all dirty water into a sink or drain connected to the sanitary sewer
- Do not pour dirty water on the ground or into a storm drain
- Maintain each dumpster so the area around it is free of waste
- Close dumpster lids/doors after putting waste inside
- Don't rinse dirt, oil, chemicals or grease onto the pavement

Deicing & The Salt Shed

- Use only as much deicer as necessary
- Sweep or clean up accumulated deicing materials from roadways as soon as possible when the road surfaces clear
- Do not overload equipment with salt to eliminate spills
- Sweep the area in front of the Salt Shed following each delivery and after each loading event - after roads are clear and prior to end of shift



Winter Salt Usage

- Did you know one teaspoon of road salt is enough to permanently pollute 5 gallons of freshwater?
- Maximize your safety (while minimizing your salt use) by clearing as much snow as possible, then loosely scattering salt. **Salt works best when it has about 3 inches of space between grains.**



Mowing, Weed Whacking & Leaf Blowing

- Mow only as low as needed for the area's intended use
- Keep mower blades sharpened
- Mow in a pattern which will deposit the grass clippings into the grass and not onto paved surfaces
- Sweep or blow grass clippings off the paved surfaces and return them to the grassed area or the appropriate dumpster
- Use leaf blowers to blow grass clippings, leaves or debris back into the grass or collect into a pile where it will be collected and properly disposed



Stockpiles & Digging



**#1 STORMWATER
POLLUTANT IN MAINE**



- Stockpiles of dirt, fill or mulch need to be covered tarps when not in use and tarps secured from the wind
- Apply sediment socks at the mouth of each stockpile to help keep product from washing away
- The area around each stockpile must be maintained and sweep frequently to minimize product from washing into the nearby stormdrain
- Regardless the size of the area, when digging or excavating in an area where storm drains are located, apply sediment sock(s) around the perimeter of the work area at the end of each shift
- Replace damaged sediment socks
- Sweep up sediment that has built up around the sock and put it in the debris dumpster



Rubbish Storage

- Maintain the area around each dumpster so it is free of debris
- Ensure dumpsters are kept closed when not in use
- Do not dispose of bulk liquids into a dumpster
- Report signs of a damaged or leaking dumpster



Equipment & Vehicle Washing

- All SMCC fleet vehicles and equipment must be washed off site at a commercial car wash facility
- If a vehicle or piece of equipment is rinsed off, it shall be done on a grassy area with no storm drains in the vicinity of rinse site
- What is the difference between washing and rinsing a piece of equipment?

Vehicle & Equipment Storage



- Inspect parking areas for stains /leaks on a regular basis: clean small leaks promptly with absorbent
- Use drip pans or absorbents for leaking vehicles or equipment
- Promptly repair leaking vehicles or equipment
- Prior to operating a vehicle that was parked over night or for an extended period, conduct a walk around to ensure there are no leaks
- Do not park vehicles or store equipment over storm drains
- Avoid parking vehicles on the grass

Vehicle & Equipment Fueling

- Fuel carefully to minimize drips or spills on the ground
- Use a funnel
- Clean all spills and drips immediately
- Ensure spill supplies (spill pads, sorbent, etc.) are on hand
- Fuel on a paved area & never on the grass
- Never fuel near a storm drain or any body of water
- Never leave equipment or vehicles unattended when fueling
- Use dry mop methods when cleaning the fueling area floor



Vehicle & Equipment Maintenance

- It is SMCC's policy that fleet vehicles are taken off site (dealer or garage) for repairs and normal/routine maintenance
- Vehicles shall be inspected regularly for leaks or potential hazards
- Routine maintenance of power equipment shall be conducted in the following manner:
 - Follow the manufacturer's instructions and maintenance plans
 - Change fluids indoors using a drip pan, spigot and funnel as needed
 - Equipment will be taken out of service if there are any leaks or potential hazards present
- Spill materials will be close at hand while maintenance is being performed



Do you know
where spill
supplies are
located?

Stormwater Summary

- SMCC must comply with a state issued MS4 Permit
- There are simple ways to control stormwater pollution
- Follow the college's Stormwater O&M Plan
- **Everyone knows their job and does it well**
- Talk to your supervisor or the EH&S Coordinator if you have an idea or want to brainstorm on a solution

Stormwater Summary

- SMCC must comply with all issued MS4 Permit
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- Follow the Stormwater Management Plan
- **Everyone** has a role to play in making it well
- Talk to your supervisor or MS Coordinator if you have an idea or want to brainstorm on a solution

Camping Policy

Camping is prohibited on college grounds, in or under structures or in college buildings. Southern Maine Community College defines camping as any of the following:

- The establishment of, or attempt to establish, temporary or permanent living quarters at any location on college property other than residence halls
- Sleeping overnight in or under any parked vehicle
- Sleeping outdoors with or without bedding, tent, hammock, or similar device, structure, protection or equipment.

This policy aligns with the ordinances of both South Portland and Brunswick.

Any questions should be referred to the Campus Security Department at 741-5553.

Motor Vehicle Repair Policy

Individuals are prohibited from performing car repairs on college grounds. Southern Maine Community College defines motor vehicle repair as the act of diagnosing, servicing, and fixing of vehicles. Bodywork such as washing, waxing, detailing, and dent removal area also prohibited.

An emergency tire change, windshield replacement, or a battery jump or swap would be permitted. Individuals must dispose of articles resulting from an emergency repair off campus.